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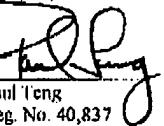
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For: SIGNAL, TRANSMITTING APPARATUS, POWER SUPPLYING SYSTEM, AND  
SERIAL COMMUNICATION APPARATUS

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**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO  
AUGUST 4, 2009 OFFICE ACTION**

This Communication is submitted in response to the August 4, 2009 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office which indicates that examination of the above-identified patent application will be restricted to one of the following allegedly distinct groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-12, drawn to a signal transmitting apparatus;
- II. Claims 13-17, drawn to a power supply system; and
- III. Claims 18-29, drawn to a serial communication apparatus.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute group I. Claims readable on group I include pending claims 1-12.

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If a petition for an extension of time is required to make this response timely, this paper should be considered to be such a petition. The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees that are required in connection with this response, and to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone interview could advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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